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Furthermore, I am aware of the hundreds of positive letters dating back to 2002 (I believe there are far more than that, but the FCC only mandates that you keep letters in the public file for three years) in support of the show on file at the station. Even more importantly, I am aware that the letters of support for "Like It Is" with Gil Noble far out weigh the amount of viewer mail received for any other show produced at WABC-TV, including your news programs. From the letters that you have on file, dating back to 2002, Gil Noble, bar none, is the station's most respected and popular journalist and on air personality. At least 80% of the viewer mail on file is for "Like It Is" which is a strong testament to the journalistic integrity of the show's host and the relevance of its programming. No other program produced by your station in New York generates 1/10th of the community enthusiasm that "Like It Is" does. Moreover, as producer of the show, Gil Noble has an illustrious 37 year track record, receiving numerous industry awards, including 7 Emmys, over 650 community awards. Needless to say, if this were any other show, you would be heralding the success of its host/producer and lauding the show as one of ABC's flagship programs.

Your mistreatment of "Like It Is" coupled with the WABC and Disney's dearth lack of diversity and educational programming for people of color, underscores the racism and disdain that this network has for its diverse viewership, especially the African American community. Therefore since this station does not support the type of news and public affairs programs that matter to me, I am not supporting the news programs that matter to you all. Except for "Like It Is", I AM BOYCOTTING ALL NEWS PROGRAMS PRODUCED BY ABC AND THE DISNEY NETWORK! Hence I am glad to participate in this boycott, as I find your other news programs, especially your local news and "20/20" to be extremely biased in its reporting on issues pertaining to ethnic communities.

I remind you that we the people own these airwaves and that as a broadcaster you are mandated by the FCC to be responsive to the communities that you service in exchange for free use of the public airwaves. You have violated your mandate of public service to the African American community, as well as to other communities of color.

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